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1. APPRECIATE PRELIMINARY SITREP, REFTEL A, RELATIVE TO GORUM-GORUM AND NORTHERN AREA. REFTEL D ANSWERED SEPTTEL. BASED ON INFO PROVIDED TO DATE, HOWEVER, WE DO NOT YET HAVE A CLEAR PICTURE OF WHAT HAS OR IS OCCURRING IN THAT AREA, THE DEGREE/SEVERITY OF PROBLEMS, IF ANY, AND THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE VARIETY OF ACTIONS SKETCHED REFTELS A, B AND C, IS RESPONSIVE TO WHAT THE CONDITIONS DEMAND.

2. PER PARA 1, ABOVE:

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A. WHAT ARE THE NAMES OF THE LOCATIONS IN NORTHERN UPPER

VOLTA PRESENTLY IN DIFFICULTY BECAUSE OF RAINS/FLOODING?

B. WHAT IS THE POPULATION OF THOSE LOCATIONS?

C. HOW MUCH FOOD IS PRESENTLY ON HAND AT THOSE LOCATIONS? HOW LONG WILL IT LAST? WHAT IS THE RESUPPLY PLAN?

D. BY LOCATIONS, HOW LONG HAS EACH BEEN CUT OFF FROM OUTSIDE SUPPORT? WHAT IS THE NATURE OF CONDITIONS AT EACH LOCATION?

E. SPECIFICALLY, WHAT ARE THE PLANS FOR SUPPORTING THESE

AREAS? IN TERMS OF FOOD, MEDICINE, SHELTER, TEMPORARY RELIEF MANPOWER, ETC.

F. IF NO LONGER ISOLATED, IS IT EXPECTED THEY WILL BE CUT OFF AGAIN IF RAINS CONTINUE OR ARE EXTRAORDINARILY HEAVY?

3. PER PARA 2, REFTTEL A, WHAT IS THE QUANTITY OF GRAIN GETTING THROUGH TO OUAHIGOUAYA AND HOW MUCH OF THIS IS BEING TRUCKED ON TO DJIBO? HOW MUCH IS REQUIRED AT THOSE LOCATIONS IN TERMS OF PRESENT AND EXPECTED CONDITIONS?

4. PER PARA 3, REFTTEL A, IS THIS ACTION SUFFICIENT FOR DORI IN TERMS OF PRESENT AND EXPECTED CONDITIONS? HOW MUCH HAS GONE ON TO GORUM AND WILL THAT BE SUFFICIENT?

5. FIRST PHRASE PARA 4, REFTTEL A, UNCLEAR. RECEIVED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE WATERS OF THE RADIERIS BETWEEN KAYA AND DORI IS DOWN...;UNQUOTE. QUERY: IS THIS A BRIDGE OR CULVERT? INGERSOLL

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